

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re **PATENT** application of:

Applicant: Marufa Kaniz et al

Application No.: 10/816,661

For: METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR PASSING INITIALIZATION
VECTOR INFORMATION FROM SOFTWARE TO HARDWARE
TO PERFORM IPSEC ENCRYPTION OPERATION

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Dear Sir:

Favorable reconsideration of the above-identified application is respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.